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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Alchas et al.

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For: Intradermal Needle

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

DRAWING AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO SEPTEMBER 25, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this response to an Office Action mailed on September 25, 2002 (the "Office Action"). Attached hereto are two (2) copies of Fig. 3, which applicants respectfully be emended as indicated in red thereon. Applicants respectfully submit that the specification as originally filed with the USPTO clearly discusses Fig. 3, and specifically, that the "generally flat skin engaging surface 46 extend[s] in a plane that is generally perpendicular to the axis of the needle cannula 36 within about fifteen degrees of perpendicular or more preferable within about five degrees." See, e.g., paragraphs 0041 through 0044, inclusive. Thus, applicants submit that no new matter is added to Fig. 3 by the proposed drawing amendment. Applicant hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fees necessary in connection with this Amendment, and any other fees necessary in connection with this application, to Deposit Account Number 02-1666.

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January 27, 2003

Any questions concerning this application or amendment may be directed to the undersigned agent of applicant.

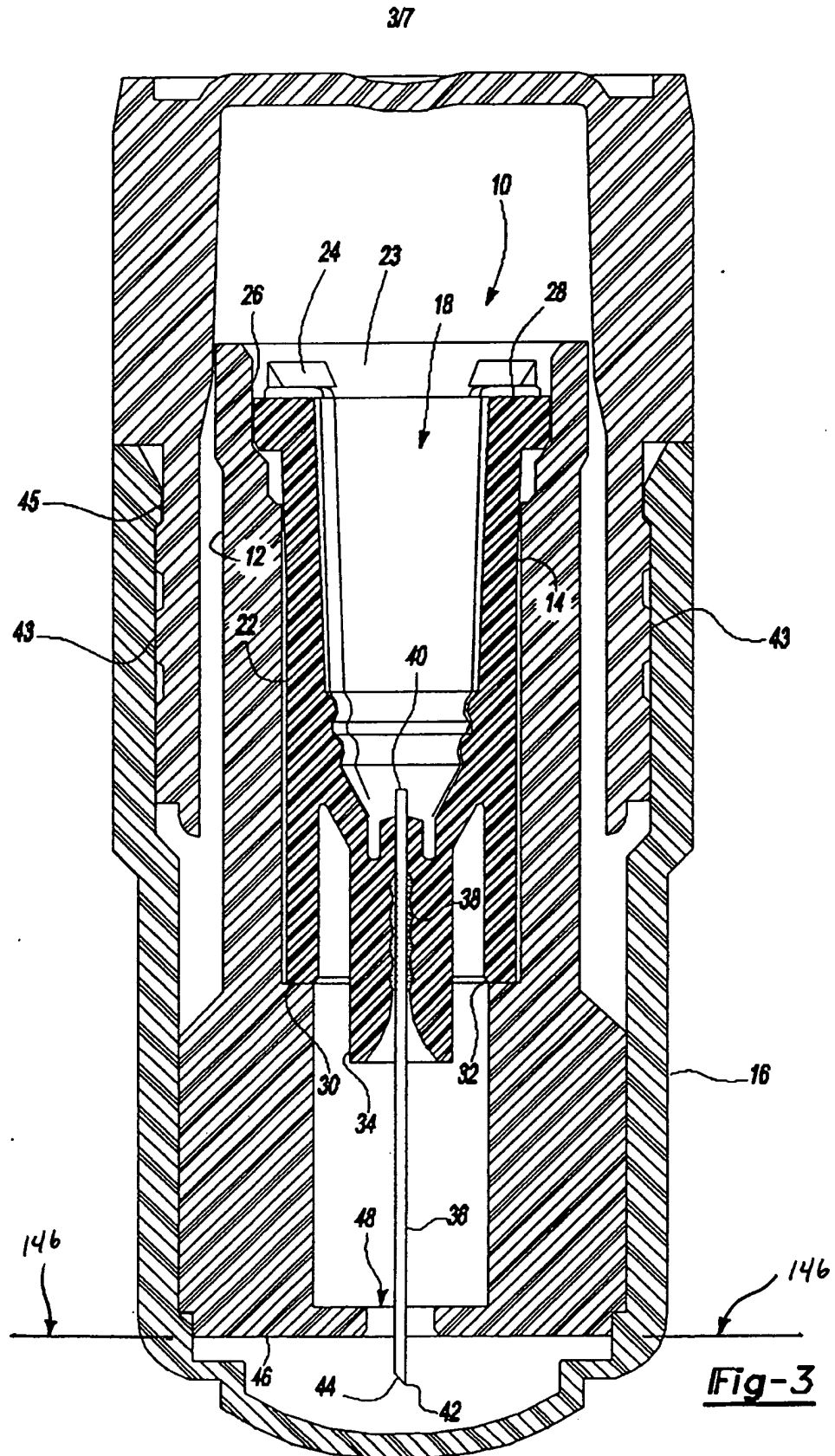
Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 27, 2002

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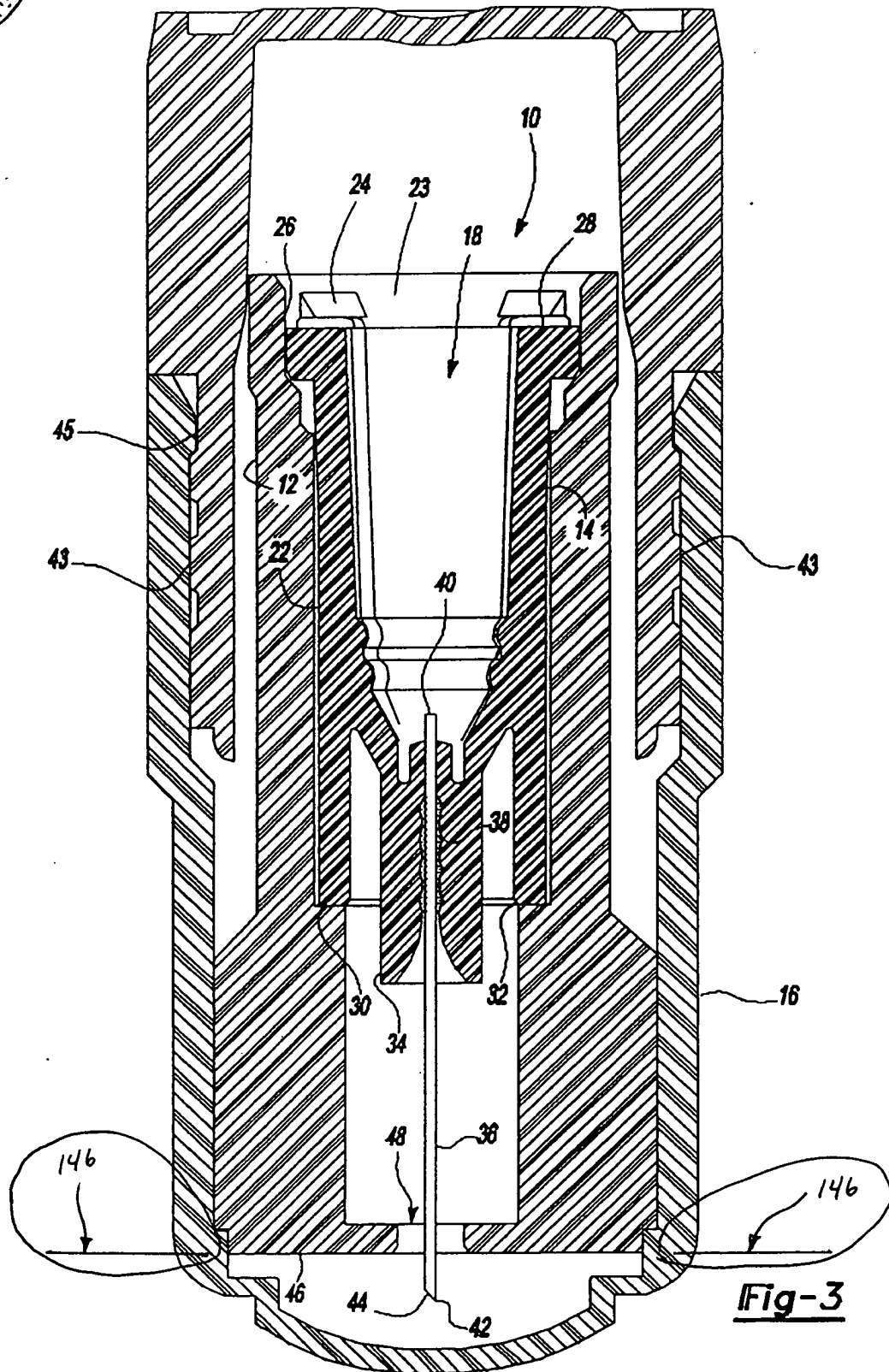


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